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30. (New) The molded article according to claim 14, further comprising a plastic layer formed on the outer and/or the inner surfaces of said molded article by vacuum forming or pressure forming, and said plastic layer is obtainable by laminating a plastic film on said molded article while said molded article is heated to a predetermined temperature. ✓

31. (New) The molded article according to claim 27, wherein said plastic film is preliminarily stretched prior to lamination. ✓

32. (New) The molded article according to claim 28, wherein said plastic film is preliminarily stretched prior to lamination. ✓

33. (New) The molded article according to claim 29, wherein said plastic film is preliminarily stretched prior to lamination. ✓

34. (New) The molded article according to claim 30, wherein said plastic film is preliminarily stretched prior to lamination. ✓

#### REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to place the above-identified application in more proper format under United States practice.

By the present Preliminary Amendment the specification has been amended to correct for minor informalities. The changes made to the specification are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

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Original Claims 1-10 have been canceled and new Claims 11-34 are presented for examination. New Claims 11-34 are deemed to be self-evident from the original disclosure, including original Claims 1-10, and thus are not deemed to raise any issues of new matter.

The present application is believed to be in condition for a full and thorough examination on the merits. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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